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BIG AND LITTLE ISSUES

Charles V. Stanton

We received an inquiry today from a Roseburg woman wanting to know if it was too late to get the issue of day-light versus standard time on Friday's primary election bal-
lot.

If that issue were to be submitted to voters, she said, it would bring out a tremendous crowd.

While, of course, it is too late to take such a vote Fri-
day, the lady certainly is correct in her opinion that it would be one way of getting people to the polls.

Isn't it strange that such a purely local situation would produce a 100 per cent turnout of voters when as important an issue as the character of national administration will draw only a partial response from qualified electors?

"If the people could just get as worked up over good government as they do over daylight saving, we'd really have a 16-cylinder democracy," *The Oregon Journal* said recently in one of its editorial columns.

Here we are in the midst of a political campaign that will definitely affect world history. The decisions to be made at the polls this year are vital to this country and to our international policies. Whether we are to continue on the Socialistic path or are to head back toward constitutional government is one of the most important questions ever placed before the people of this nation.

Public Interest Indicated

Faced with matters of such paramount importance, it would be expected that our newspapers would be filled with public discussion of the political crisis.

But what do we read in the Letters to the Editor col-
umns? If you have been reading those letters, and we know that you have, we've had practically no mention of politics, but we've been swamped with expressions on the time de-
bate.

How can we explain the fact that we become all emo-
tionally wrought up over daylight time, yet are so compla-
cent when our freedom, our economy, international policy and, in fact, the future of the world will be influenced by what we do at this year's election?

We anticipate a comparatively light vote Friday. We re-
cently made a canvass of voters in this area, cooperating in an Associated Press poll. The girls handling the telephone calls reported a startling percentage of voters who frankly said they didn't intend to vote, while they also found a num-
ber of persons who had not taken the time or trouble to register.

But we find people ready, at the drop of a hat, to do battle over daylight time, school affairs, dogs running at large or other purely local and comparatively minor prob-
lems, while showing little concern over the fact that na-
tional and world issues hang in the balance.

Good Citizenship Necessary

If we may engage in a little preaching, let us say that we cannot maintain democracy as it should be maintained unless we have dependable citizenship.

A voter's responsibility toward his government is just as demanding and important as the job of the President of the United States. We would have little patience with a President who shirked his duty. We have been aroused by recent administrative scandals. But, actually, can we con-
demn an irresponsible administration when the people who elect the administration are themselves careless and neg-
lectful of the duty imposed upon them by the form of government under which we live?

The press wires recently carried a report of an 80-year-
old Texan, suffering from a heart attack, who pleaded with the doctor to "just keep me alive until after the next elec-
tion."

If more citizens had the spirit of that Texan we would have little cause to worry about the future.



"They're busy plowing the Lord's Acre" the caption read under the picture of a lot of rats.

"A new type of church project which is coming to be used in some communities to advance the work of the church" is now being carried on near Gainesville (N.Y.), according to the current Wyoming County Times.

"Last Saturday thirteen tractor-
me "Last Saturday thirteen tractors, owned and operated by local farmers, plowed more than 32 acres on the old Brown farm."

"It is planned to sow a crop of oats on this land in the near future. The people involved are doing the work on a strictly cooperative basis, with no other purpose than to advance the work of the church. The contribution of thirteen trac-
tors, together with men to operate them, represents something of a \$300 gift on the part of the men."

"Members of the community in-
terested in the project can have part in the purchasing of seed and fertilizer, about \$400 to \$500 to cover the investment. There will be a large sign marking the spot by the road-side pointing to the project. The women of the church, cooperating with the president of the W.S.C.S., provided a very tasty and nourishing dinner for the men."

The above story reminded me of publicity, in regard to a book, re-
ceived some time ago, "God Is My Landlord" by Perry Hayden, Dynamic Kernels Foundation, Te-

Physical Exam Costs Parking Fine Of \$15

NEW YORK — Joseph Hol-
land, 22, of Great Neck, drove downtown to the Army Induction Center for his final physical exam-
ination prior to induction next month.

There were no public parking spaces in sight. But, being on government business and noticing a sign setting aside parking space for government business only, he parked his car there.

The examination over, Holland emerged to find a \$15 parking tick-
et on his car.

Eye Opener



Fulton Lewis Jr. WASHINGTON REPORT

SAN FRANCISCO — California's Trumanesque Gov-
ernor Earl Warren finds himself faced with the most critical challenge of his long political career in the presidential pri-
maries here on June 3rd.

If he fails to master the situation, it probably spells out future obliv-
ion for him. And there is a grow-
ingly powerful faction in the Re-
publican Party here which is in-
tend on just that end. The issue is whether Warren is to be per-
mitted to use California's big dele-
gation to the Republican show in Chicago for his own personal bargaining ends. He hopes to be able to do so. The opposition is trying to stop him.

There are two slates of delegates on the Republican primary ballot. One is in Warren's vest pocket, made up of his own personal obedi-
ence. The other, headed by Rep-
resentative Tom Werdell and tag-
ged "the free delegation," is a polyglot contingent, partly Taft, partly Eisenhower, partly uncom-
mitted and it even includes a smat-
tering of Warrenites. Two months ago it looked like a dead horse. Now, it's different.

Werdell has played his cards cleverly and frankly. He has pub-
licly announced that if his dele-
gation is elected, every individual will have an unconditional release to vote in Chicago as he or she sees fit.

Ordinarily the pitch would not be good. It means, of course, a split delegation in what could be a powerful and effective bargain-
ing block. Under the circum-
stances, however, Warren's plan is to use that bargaining block strictly for the personal political aggrandizement of Earl Warren and not with any heed for the views and wishes of Republican voters in California.

Therein lies the catch and Wer-
dell's organization is spreading that gospel over California like a six-foot blanket of snow.

Werdell is a colorful, serious, two-faced youngster who didn't have sense enough to realize that he was undertaking the impossible. Financing was tough and still is. In recent weeks, however, there has been some thawing and the trickle is showing a gratifying in-
crease. He has organizations in 38 California counties and is waging war on Warren on a frontal attack basis. He says the Califor-
nia state administration has been barely distinguishable from the Washington lunacy under Mr. Tru-
man, unless it is a little further to the left. He plays heavily on a growing state-wide resentment over Warren's fiscal policies and is constantly driving home one poisonous comparison:

"The state tax collections during Warren's eight years in office total \$7,342,911,688.

Total collections during Califor-
nia's 100 years of previous state-
hood totaled \$4,424,225,277.

The governor squirms, but his only defense is to charge Werdell with smear tactics. The figures are still there, however. Also there is Warren's stubborn refusal to let the State Legislature pass a tax reduction bill, despite a treas-
ury surplus of \$286,000,000 last year.

Werdell has been clever enough in setting up his organization to include 37 women as delegates, ranging from housewives to a lead-
ing member of the Republican State Central Committee, Mrs. William Prince. Women generally are working for the Werdell slate of delegates with astounding industry. But Warren's dilemma is that, for him, the plan he is following is his only chance. His career in state politics has run out. He admits publicly he is serving his last term as governor. The only

way for him to stay in politics is through appointment to a presi-
dential cabinet job. The only way to achieve that is by trading for it. He will, if he is able to get at the Chicago convention, and his delegation elected in the pri-
mary.

Hear Fulton Lewis Daily
On KRRR, 9:15 P.M.

LOCAL NEWS

Leave For Home—Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Ward left Wednesday for their home in Baker, Ore., following a visit in Roseburg with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ray Ward, and son, Mike, in Oak Hill apartments. While here, they enjoyed several suc-
cessful fishing trips.

Move — Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webster and two sons have moved into their newly purchased home at the corner of South Jackson and Blakeley Streets from Mill Street. The Websters own the Mill Street store. The home they purchased was formerly owned by the late L. J. Barnes, Roseburg bar-
ber.

Back From Vacation—Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Harris of Roseburg and Mr. and Mrs. Earl F. Strong of Rice Hill have returned to their homes, following a vacation trip to Vancouver and Victoria B.C., and back through Wenatchee, Cou-
lee Dam and Spokane, Wash.

Away For Weekend—Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Fleenor, Miss Norma Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Ar-
r-old and son, Eric, visited Mrs. Fleenor's son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gunnar Nashlund, in Ashland over Mother's Day.

In Person



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In The Day's News

By FRANK JENKINS

(Continued from Page One)
Again the answer may be RO-
BOTS.

That causes another question:
HOW ABOUT GOVERNMENT?

There is a lot of talk — much of it by intelligent, able, thoughtful men—to the effect that the BIG thing that is wrong with our fed-
eral government is that it has be-
come so huge, so complicated that no mere man can compre-
hend it all. In the resulting con-
fusion, SELF-SEEKERS find the opportunity to gain power or to gain pelf.

Is the answer to that more ro-
bots?

I shudder to think of it.
I don't want to be governed by a robot.

There are robots and robots, you know—just like people. There was Percy the Iron Man—Brains He Has Nix. You will recognize him, of course, only if you're much older than you like to ad-
mit. He was one of the early — very, very early — comic strip characters. He was an amusing blunderer. He was always getting himself into jams and he usually got out of them in ways that brought laughs.

BUT—

There was Frankenstein — the robot created by Mary Wollstone-
craft Shelley away back in 1822 (you see, people were thinking about robots even then.) The ro-
bot in Mrs. Shelley's novel was created by a scientist, and it was a holy terror. It destroyed its cre-
ator and raised merry hell gener-
ally.

If we fall back on robots to do our governing for us, we could get one like that.

I'm "ag'in" the whole idea. I'd rather take my chances with MEN.

But, in a world in which com-
plication is growing by leaps and bounds — a world in which we are already talking about robots to handle fighter planes that have become too complicated and ter-
rible to be handled by men born of women, a world in which we already recognize that our math-
ematical problems are so vast that THINKING MACHINES have to be built to handle problems that are too big and too fast for



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We used to do our trading on Friday evening after work. Now the stores are all closed before we can get to Roseburg. I believe the merchants should cooperate with those of us who must stay on standard time, by keeping their stores open one night a week. Why not try opening the stores at noon on Monday, and remaining open until 9:00 Monday night?

I heard this remark, yesterday, made by a school teacher. She said "It seems to me that these little children have to suffer, by losing sleep, and becoming over-
tired, just so their fathers can have an extra hour's fishing every evening." It is worth some thought, don't you believe?

MRS. L. A. MOORHOUS
Roseburg, Ore.

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Vote for
BARBARA S. DRAPER
CANDIDATE for CONGRESS.
Let's have a change in
Washington, D. C.



SHERIFF'S POSSE

SHOW-DEO

SUNDAY MAY 25

1:30 DST AT THE
FAIRGROUNDS
EVENTS...

- SELECTION OF SHERIFF'S POSSE 1952 RODEO QUEEN
- CALF ROPING
- 9 RACING EVENTS

JOSEPHINE COUNTY POSSE
BENTON COUNTY POSSE
DOUGLAS COUNTY POSSE
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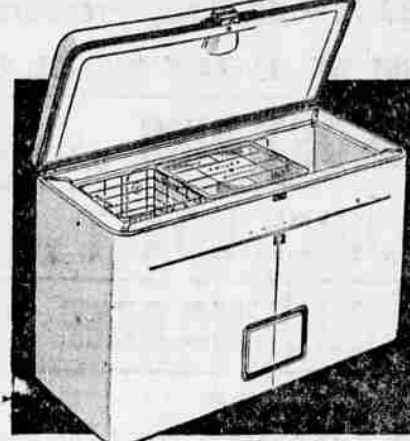
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